

TABLE 2

Individual and Total Current Harmonics												
Data Center Loads	Amps (3-Phase)	Amps (3-Phase) at 480 V	Existing (FIG. 1) harmonics Amps	Individual THD-I %	Passive Filter (FIGS. 2, 3, 6) harmonics Amps	Individual THD-I %	Hybrid Filter:1 (FIG. 8) harmonics Amps	Individual THD-I %	Hybrid Filter: 2 (FIGS. 9, 10) Harmonics Amps	Individual THD-I %	Active Filter (FIG. 11) Harmonics Amps	Individual THD-I %
IT racks	3084	1336	468	35	164	12	70	5	70	5	40	3
Evaporator cooling devices	174	76	26	35	9	12	4	5	4	5	2	3
CDUs	30	30	11	35	4	12	4	12	2	5	2	7
Pump Skid	30	30	10	35	4	12	4	12	2	5	2	7
Fluid Cooler	50	50	18	35	18	35	18	35	8	15	10	20
Chiller	320	320	112	35	39	12	39	12	17	5	22	7
Total Fundamental Amps	1842											
Total Harmonics (Amps)			645		237		138		102		79	
% THD-I at Grid				35		13		8		6		4
Comments			L at MV Grid		L_M , effective L_S and additional line reactors for other loads		L_M , 15% AF at LV and additional line reactors for other loads		15% AF at MV, effective L_S and additional line reactors for other loads		20% AF at MV, 15% AF at LV and additional line reactors for other loads	

[0064] Table 2 shows that a total of 1842 amps of 3-phase fundamental current are needed for a 1 MW DC block at 480 V. The existing electrical system of FIG. 1 with a 5% line reactor L at MV generates a total of 645 amps of harmonic current. With a 5% impedance line reactor, the maximum achievable current distortion level is 35%. Therefore, the total harmonic distortion current (THD-I) at the grid is 35%. The THD-I for IT server racks is also 35%. According to the IEEE 519 standard, the maximum allowed THD-I limit is 8%.

[0065] The total harmonic distortion (THD) is the amount of distortion, i.e., the second and greater harmonics, in the current or voltage waveform with respect to the fundamental, i.e., the first harmonic, current or voltage waveform. The total harmonic current distortion (THD-I) is defined as:

$$\text{THD-I} = I_{\text{Total Harmonic}} / I_1 \quad (3)$$

where $I_{\text{Total Harmonic}}$ is the total harmonic current and I_1 is the fundamental current, i.e., the first harmonic current.

[0066] To improve THD-I further, another 5% effective line reactance L_S (either independent or coupled PDU) is added before the IT server and evaporative cooling device loads as shown in FIGS. 2, 3, and 6 at the LV side and additional 5% individual line reactors are added for CDU pump-motor VFDs, pump skid pump-motor VFDs, and chiller module compressor-motor VFDs. The electrical system also includes a 5% line reactor L_M at the MV side in addition to the above added filters. This is part of passive filtering techniques. The combination of all the above filters generates 237 A of harmonic current. Therefore, the total harmonic distortion current (THD-I) at the grid is 13%, which is lower in comparison to the THD-I of FIG. 1. The THD-I for the IT server racks is 12%.

[0067] The hybrid filtering technique is implemented to further improve the THD-I. For example, in the hybrid

filtering technique implemented in FIG. 8, both passive and active filtering are performed. In addition to the 5% compensation provided by the line reactor L_M at MV, the hybrid filtering technique implemented in FIG. 8 also provides active filtering having a 15% compensation capacity for IT servers and evaporative cooling devices. There are also 5% individual line reactors for CDU pump-motor VFDs, pump skid pump-motor VFDs, and chiller module compressor motor VFDs. The combination of all the above compensation components generates 138 amps of harmonic current. Therefore, the total harmonic distortion current (THD-I) at the grid is 8%, which satisfies the IEEE 519 standard and is lower than the THD-I of the electrical systems of FIGS. 2, 3, and 6. The THD-I for the IT server racks is 5%.

[0068] In the hybrid filtering techniques implemented in the electrical systems of FIGS. 9 and 10, both the active and passive filtering are performed. In addition to the 15% compensation capacity provided by the MV active filtering technique, the hybrid filtering techniques implemented in the electrical systems of FIGS. 9 and 10 also provide 5% compensation from the line reactor L_S at the LV side for the IT servers and evaporative cooling devices. There is also 5% compensation capacity provided by the individual line reactors for the harmonics introduced by the CDU pump motor VFDs, the pump skid pump motor VFDs, and the chiller module compressor motor VFDs. In sum, the hybrid filtering techniques implemented in the electrical systems of FIGS. 9 and 10, generates 102 amps of harmonic current. Therefore, the total harmonic distortion current (THD-I) at the grid is 6%, which is lower than the maximum limit specified by the IEEE 519 standard and is lower than the THD-I of FIG. 8. The THD-I for the IT server racks is 5%.

[0069] To achieve lower THD-I, active filtering techniques for both MV (20% capacity) and LV (15% capacity) may be employed. There are also 5% individual line reactors